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REPORT OF SHIPPING EDITOR OF LLOYD'S
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Since 1948 the Office of Naval Intelligence of the United States Navy in London has been in close touch with Lloyd's on matters relating to shipping intelligence and it is evident by the increasing number of calls made on our services that these services are proving satisfactory. During the past few years the increase has become very noticeable and it is felt that as a wider knowledge of Lloyd's shipping intelligence organization becomes known, not only to the United States authorities in London but also in Washington, an even greater demand for assistance from Lloyd's may be reasonably expected.

It is not possible to place on record the precise details of the many inquiries received at Lloyd's from the United States Navy and Embassy in London as the majority of these inquiries are over the telephone. Some are of a simple nature such as a ship's movement but others often involve considerable research and necessitate Lloyd's making special inquiries of their agents to obtain the required information. The value attaching to these inquiries lies in the usually satisfactory answers that Lloyd's is able to supply.

It would appear that the general trend of these inquiries relates to the activities of the Russian merchant fleets and the merchant fleets of her satellites. In this connection Lloyd's furnishes daily to the O.N.I. in London and Washington a valuable return showing the reports received at Lloyd's of all movements of Russian merchant vessels together with a similar list of the movements of vessels owned by the Russian satellite countries. Lloyd's also supplies to the O.N.I. a daily list of the movements of vessels of all nationalities which, according to reports received from Lloyd's Agents and other reliable sources, are bound for or have arrived from ports in Russia and other "iron curtain" countries including Communist China, together with such reports as are received at Lloyd's of definite arrivals of vessels at and sailings from these "iron curtain" ports. Also included are vessels of which information has been received that they are loading for and/or have been fixed to load cargoes at "iron curtain" ports. This last list is of importance, giving as it does some idea of the volume of trade between countries of the Russian "bloc" and other countries and to a lesser degree throw some light on the imports and exports involved. These lists contain additional movements which are not printed in Lloyd's publications.

A daily list is also supplied to the O.N.I. showing the positions of American ships as reported by wireless, in the North Atlantic, Mediterranean and European waters.

Requests have been received for the following:

Particulars of new tonnage under construction or launched in any country for the Russian or Russian satellite countries together with casualties sustained by, and particularly losses of, merchant vessels of these fleets which may be reported to Lloyd's. This

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information enables some check to be kept on the additions or losses to the merchant fleets of these countries.

Any interesting item received from Lloyd's Agents or other sources which has any bearing on the sales of ships to Panamanian or other possibly doubtful registries when it is suspected that such sales will be eventually to Russian controlled countries. The attention of the O.N.I. is also drawn to any fixture or voyage which in the experience of the staff at Lloyd's is of an "interesting" or suspect nature.

Transfers of vessels to Liberian registry.

Information concerning owners, particularly of a new company which may have the appearance of a suspicious connection, with a view to ascertaining the real ownership or connection.

Lloyd's is also asked to check certain reports received by the United States authorities relating to a ship's position. In some of these cases Lloyd's have corrected false reports.

Information received from various sources relating to conditions and/or facilities at Russian or Russian satellite ports, new services in operation or projected etc.

From time to time inquiries are received in connection with a particular ship's movements which movements can only be checked by reference to Lloyd's Records. Lloyd's assistance is also occasionally required in identifying ships in particular areas and whose names have been mutilated in transmission.

During the course of a year some four million movements, casualties and wireless reports are received at Lloyd's. These reports are carefully and critically examined and corrected when necessary and prepared for publication and for Lloyd's Records by a very experienced staff. Frequently owing to various reasons such as errors in transmission, mutilations, duplication of names, careless copying of or badly written original messages very considerable time has to be spent in verifying or checking these reports as a wrong interpretation can easily be made with serious consequences. In reporting, too, the sender frequently uses local terms and abbreviations in casualty reports which are unknown to the receiver or if the agent is not British or American complicates matters still further by his peculiar use and construction of the English language, adding very considerably to the difficulties in correctly interpreting the information. Only a specially trained and experienced staff can cope successfully with these difficulties. Much of this valuable intelligence does not appear in Lloyd's publications but is carefully filed for reference and it is this mass of important material which is also made available for use as part of Lloyd's services together with the knowledge and experience of Lloyd's shipping intelligence staff.

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MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS BOUND TO AND FROM PORTS IN "IRON CURTAIN" COUNTRIES.

VESSEL AND FLAG.	VOYAGE	LATEST MOVEMENT.
WESTERBOK (Du)	Rotterdam for Wismar (iron).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
THOJA (Da)	Hamburg for Rostock (general).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
APIENA (Da)	Antwerp for Rostock (cigarettes).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
REKALIN (Du)	Heverwijk for Rostock (fruit).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
JONA (Du)	London for Wismar (iron).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
SODERHAMN (Go)	Rotterdam for Rostock (iron).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
ANNIS (Da)	Stralsund for Hamburg (empty).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
ELISABETH ARLET (Go)	Gdansk for La Rochelle (coal).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
MARCOO (Sw)	Gdynia for Rouen (coal).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
IDA PIETER (Du)	Szczecin for King's Lynn (wood).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
AKRA (No)	Gdansk for China (f.o.) (general).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
SCENBA (Du)	Rostock for Rotterdam (empty).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
DAITE (Fi)	Gdynia for Constantza (empty).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
HILFRIED PETERS (Go)	Wismar for London (wood).	Pd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
CORNELIS B. (Du)	Ventspils for Rotterdam.	Sd Ventspils Mar. 5.
BROUWERSGRACHT (Du)	Stralsund for Abo.	Sd Stralsund Mar. 6.
HEIGA SCHRODER (Go)	Szczecin for Narvik.	Ar. Narvik Mar. 7.
BORELAND (Sw)	Vireus for Split.	Sd. Vireus Feb. 28.
KINDERET (Is)	Bourgas for Haifa.	Pd. Istanbul Mar. 7.
KARNEGLEN (Tu)	Istanbul for Bourgas.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 7.
JULIANA (Br)	Hongkong for Swatow.	Sd. Hongkong Mar. 8.
WILHELM (Fi)	Constantza for Finland (f.o.) (petrol)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
HEROGOVINA (Ya)	Istanbul for Rijeka.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
UZICH (Ye)	Istanbul for Rijeka.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
SOLNEI (No)	Drammen for Constantza.	Pd. Istanbul Mar. 10.
STADIUM (It)	Lisbon for Constantza.	Pd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
BATROVEN (Br)	London for Gdynia.	Sd. London Mar. 9.
BALEAVIA (Br)	Rull for Gdynia.	Ar. Gdynia Mar. 9.
HOLESTEIN (Go)	Rijeka for Saffi.	Sd. Rijeka Mar. 3.
SODERHAMN (Go)	Rotterdam for Rostock.	Ar. Rostock Mar. 7.
SABET LORENZ (Go)	Antwerp for Wismar.	Sd. Antwerp Mar. 7.
KUSSO (Fi)	Amsterdam for Gdansk.	Sd. Amsterdam Mar. 7.
PANNIO (Fi)	Hamburg for Constantza.	Sd. Hamburg Mar. 8.
ARETI S. (Pa)	Antwerp for Gdansk.	Sd. Antwerp Mar. 7.
AVALA (Ya)	Rijeka for Antwerp.	Ar. Antwerp Mar. 7.
HILLOBO (Da)	Aarhus for Wismar.	Sd. Aarhus Mar. 7.
CLAIRE T. (Br)	Hamburg for Tsingtao.	Sd. Hamburg Mar. 9.
PIUSE (No)	Bandholm for Szczecin.	Ar. Szczecin Mar. 7.
LAHSSAND (Go)	Szczecin for Malmo.	Sd. Szczecin Mar. 7 and Ar. Malmo Mar. 8.
OLYMPIA (Fi)	Hordenham for Gdynia.	Sd. Hordenham Mar. 8.
ALLANSON (Gr)	Tsingtao for Europe.	Sd. Tsingtao Feb. 26.
HAFIA (Da)	Szczecin for Copenhagen.	Ar. Copenhagen Mar. 9.
JULIUS (Da)	Copenhagen for Szczecin.	Sd. Copenhagen Mar. 7.
GLASS (Go)	Ustka for Ystad.	Ar. Ystad Mar. 9.
GRON (Go)	Ustka for Ystad.	Ar. Ystad Mar. 9.
HORGH SILVERPOLOUD (No)	Calcutta for Constantza.	Ar. Madras Mar. 8.
ELFORS (Sw)	Szczecin for Stockholm.	Sd. Szczecin Mar. 8.
GRANSHOLM (No)	Alesund for Stralsund.	Sd. Alesund Mar. 4.
MORMASTEN (Ao)	Gdynia for Bergen.	Ar. Bergen Mar. 9.
MOSMILL (No)	Cadessa for Guadeloupe.	Sd. Odessa Feb. 19. Ar. St. Thomas Mar. 9.
HILFRIED PETERS (Go)	Wismar for London (Surrey Commercial Dock)	Ar. London Mar. 10.
ARSIA (It)	Split for Tripoli (Libya).	Ar. Tripoli Mar. 8.
UTOARD (Go)	Wismar for Belfast.	Ar. Belfast Mar. 8.
CELEST B. (Pa)	Havre for Rostock (general)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.
BETTY AND S. (Pa)	Havre for Rostock (steel)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.
BALCANIA (Gr)	Havre for Rostock (general)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.

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MOVEMENTS OF RUSSIAN VESSELS

VESSEL	VOYAGE	LATEST MOVEMENT
S. KIROV	Ventspils for Rotterdam (coal)	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 6.
ZOJA KOSMODEMIA-SKAJA	Rostock for Murmansk.	Ar and Sd Kopervik Mar.
VERKHOYANSK	Tallinn for Murmansk.	Ar and Sd Kopervik Mar.
LUBAN	Ventspils for Rouen (general)	Sd Brunsbattel Mar. 7.
PULKOVO	Antwerp for Ventspils (general)	Pd Rotterdam Mar. 6.
NIKOLAI BAUMAN	Terneuzen for Rotterdam.	Pd Flushing Mar. 7.
BRIVIBA	Klaipeda for Rotterdam.	Pd Flushing Mar. 7.
MARSHAL GOVOROV	- for Odessa.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 10.
STEPAN KHALTURIN	Durazzo for Odessa.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 9.
KOLHOZNIK	Odessa for Venice.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 8.
KOROVSEY	Odessa for Durazzo.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 8.
ALEXANDER MATROSOV (presumed)	Rouen for -	Dover Pd E. Mar. 6.
ANDREY CHEVCHENKOVSKY	Antwerp for Constantza.	Ar Gibraltar Mar. 10.
LUBAN	Ventspils for Rouen.	Ar. Rouen Mar. 10.
VERKHAEVSK	Rouen for Murmansk.	Sd Rouen Mar. 10.
HEKAI BARNUSSE	Rouen for Oskarshamn.	Sd Rouen Mar. 7.
NIKOLAI BAUMAN	Ghent for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 7.
S. KIROV	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 7.
BRIVIBA	Ventspils for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 8.
ALEXANDER MATROSOV	Rouen for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 9.
S.E.T. (trip)	Amsterdam for Stralsund (empty)	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 8.

MOVEMENTS OF "SATELLITE" VESSELS

VESSEL AND FLAG	VOYAGE	LATEST MOVEMENT
SEPTSEVRI (Bu)	Bourgas for Istanbul.	Ar Istanbul Mar. 8.
TEASHIVANI (Bu)	Durazzo for Constantza.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 9.
CHRISTO SMIRNENSKY (Bu)	Sfax for Braila.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 9.
CONSTANTA (Bu)	Haifa for Constantza.	Sd Istanbul Mar. 8.
ILAGOI PASAROFF (Bu)	Stalin for Alexandria.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 8.
TRAKIA (Bu)(aux)	Bourgas for Alexandria.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 9.
LULIN (Bu)(aux)	Bourgas for Beirut.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 8.
MANGALIA (Bu)	Beirut for Constantza.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 10.
SULICA (Bu)	Alexandria for Constantza.	Pd Istanbul Mar. 9.
MIDIA (Bu)	Alexandria for Constantza.	Sd Alexandria Feb. 28.
HEL (Ph)	Hamburg for Antwerp.	Sd Hamburg Mar. 7.
DRYGADA MAKOWSKIEGO (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia.	Sd Antwerp Mar. 7.
VIELUN (Ph)	Szczecin for Antwerp.	Ar Antwerp Mar. 8.
POZNAN (Ph)	Gdynia for Antwerp.	Ar Antwerp Mar. 8.
DIMITRI KONDOROV (Bu)	- for Port Said.	Ar Port Said Mar. 9.
MANGALIA (Bu)	Lattakia for Constantza.	Ar Beirut Mar. 4.
CEZON (Ph)	Gdynia for Alexandria.	Sd Beirut Mar. 4.
KIELOK (Ph)	Gdansk for Alexandria.	Ar Alexandria Mar. 8.
KUTNO (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia (general).	Ar Alexandria Mar. 8.
DEJALCO (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia (general).	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 7.
LUBIN (Ph)	Rotterdam for Gdynia (general).	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 6.
SLASK (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam (general).	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 6.
BIALYSTOK (Ph)	Vizagapatam for Gdynia.	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 7.
OLSZTYN (Ph)	Bremen for Rotterdam.	Sd Makinada Mar. 9.
CORIE SKI DOGOSAA (Ph)	Gdynia for Port Sudan.	Sd Bremen Mar. 7.
JAROSLAW DABROWSKI (Ph)	Gdynia for London.	Ar Port Sudan Mar. 10.
KIELAG (Ph)	London for Szczecin (general).	Sd Gdynia Mar. 5.
WROCLAW (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Pd Brunsbattel Mar. 8.
WROCLAW (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 8.
WROCLAW (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Ar Gdynia Mar. 7.
WROCLAW (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Pd Copenhagen Mar. 8.
WROCLAW (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Pd Copenhagen Mar. 8.

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VESSELS LOADING GENERAL CARGO FOR PORTS IN "IRON CURTAIN" COUNTRIES.

FOR	FROM	SAILING
<u>Dubrovnik.</u>		
PULA (YS)	London	About Mar. 10.
AVALA (YS)	London	About Mar. 20.

<u>Gdynia.</u>		
JAROSLAW BARNKORT (Fr)	London.	Mar. 12.
BALTRON (Br)	London	Mar. 18.
LECH (Fr)	Hull	Mar. 13.
BAUTAVIA (Br)	Hull.	Mar. 18.
ROSLA (Du)	Amsterdam.	Mar. 25.

<u>Rijeka.</u>		
PULA (YS)	London	About Mar. 10.
AVALA (YS)	London	About Mar. 20.
CAVALLO (Br)	London	End Mar.
BANFIA (Br)	Liverpool	Mid March.
BANFIA (Br)	Glasgow.	Late March.
DAURO (Du)	Amsterdam.	March 18.
DAURO (Du)	Rotterdam.	Mar. 19.

<u>Szescan.</u>		
DAURO (Du)	London	Mar. 13.

<u>Tsien-tai.</u>		
ABOINIA (Br)	Birkenhead.	About Mar. 30.
ABOINIA (Br)	Swansea.	About Mar. 18.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Antwerp.	Mar. 31.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Bremen.	About Mar. 27.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Hamburg.	About Mar. 25.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Rotterdam.	April 7.

<u>Tsingtao.</u>		
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Antwerp.	Mar. 31.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Bremen.	About Mar. 27.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Hamburg.	About Mar. 25.
GAOSTERBERG (Du)	Rotterdam.	April 7.

<u>Ventspils.</u>		
BELOOSTALV (Fr)	London	Mar. 27.